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SUBJECT: AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU CALLS ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY LAINGEN

1. AMBASSADOR DIMITRIOU CALLED ON DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY LAINGEN APRIL ON INSTRUCTION TO DRAW USG ATTENTION TO A NOTE VERBALE CONTAINING GOC POSITION ON TURKISH BASE AGREEMENT WHICH HAD BEEN PRESENTED TO AMBASSADOR CRAWFORD IN NICOSIA APRIL 8. DIMITRIOU READ TEXT OF THE NOTE VERBALE, BUT DEMURRED IN HANDING OVER THE COPY BECAUSE THAT WAS NOT PART OF HIS INSTRUCTIONS.

2. LAINGEN COMMENTED THAT CYPRIOT VIEWS ON US-TURKISH DEFENSE AGREEMENT DIFFERED GREATLY FROM OUR OWN. WE CONSIDER THE AGREEMENT AN ESSENTIAL STEP IN RESTORING A SECURITY RELATIONSHIP THAT WE CONSIDER VITAL. IT IS OUR BELIEF THAT
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THIS ACTION WILL CONTRIBUTE TO THE RESTORATION OF STABILITY

IN THE EASTERN MEDITERRANEAN AND WILL BENEFIT ALL COUNTRIES
IN THE AREA.

3. DIMITRIOU GAVE SPECIAL EMPHASIS TO THE SECTION OF THE
NOTE VERBALE WHICH CONTENDED THAT THE MILITARY ASSISTANCE
PROVIDED BY THE US TO TURKEY WOULD ENHANCE THAT COUNTRY'S
CAPACITY TO TAKE OVER THE GREEK PART OF CYPRUS. DIMITRIOU

CITED RECENT QUOTES BY PROMINENT TURKISH CYPRIOT OFFICIALS
WHICH REFERRED TO DESIGNS ON THE "UNLIBERATED" SOUTH.

4. LAINGEN RESPONDED THAT WE DO NOT REGARD SUCH STATEMENTS
AS THE POLICY OF TURKEY. HE REEMPHASIZED THAT DEFENSE CO-
OPERATION AGREEMENT WILL CONTRIBUTE TO OUR CAPACITY TO BE
HELPFUL ON THE CYPRUS PROBLEM.

5. LAINGEN TURNED THEN TO THE POSSIBLE DEMONSTRATIONS IN
NICOSIA NEXT MONDAY AND PROVIDED DIMITRIOU WITH THE
ESSENCE OF MESSAGE SENT THAT MORNING BY THE SECRETARY TO
PRESIDENT MAKARIOS. LAINGEN NOTED THE SECRETARY HAD EM-
PHASIZED THE IMPORTANCE THE USG PLACES ON ADEQUATE SECUR-
ITY BEING PROVIDED AT THE US EMBASSY IN NICOSIA.

6. DIMITRIOU STATED THAT, IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING HIS
MEETING THE PREVIOUS AFTERNOON WITH UNDER SECRETARY SISCO
HE HAD TELEPHONED FOREIGN MINISTER CHRISTOPHIDES TO RELAY
THE DEPTH OF US CONCERN ABOUT POSSIBLE VIOLENT ACTIONS ON
THE ISLAND. CHRISTOPHIDES HAD PROMISED TO RELAY THIS
IMMEDIATELY TO PRESIDENT MAKARIOS.

7. DIMITRIOU CONTINUED THAT HE HAD FOLLOWED THIS TELEPHONE
CALL WITH A LENGTHY MESSAGE TO HIS GOVERNMENT WHICH GAVE
A VERBATIM ACCOUNT OF HIS MEETING WITH MR. SISCO. AT THE
END OF THIS CABLE, DIMITRIOU HAD ARGUED IN THE STRONGEST
TERMS THAT EXTRAORDINARY SECURITY MEASURES WERE IMPERATIVE.

8. TURNING TO THE CLERIDES RESIGNATION, LAINGEN AND
DIMITRIOU AGREED THAT IT WAS A MOST UNFORTUNATE DEVELOP-
MENT. LAINGEN STRESSED OUR HOPE THAT THE RESIGNATION WOULD
NOT IN ANY WAY BE ALLOWED TO DISRUPT WHAT MUST BE A
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SERIOUS AND CONTINUING NEGOTIATING PROCESS.

9. DIMITRIOU NOTED THAT TASSOS PAPADOPOULOS HAD NOW BEEN
APPOINTED AS THE NEW GREEK CYPRIOT NEGOTIATOR. HE ALSO
POINTED OUT THAT DENKTASH HAS NOW REJECTED THE TERRITORIAL
ASPECTS OF THE GREEK CYPRIOT PROPOSALS. LAINGEN QUERIED
WHETHER, IN FACT, DIMITRIOU'S SIDE HAD PROPOSED A TURKISH
AREA OF 20 PERCENT. HE FOLLOWED BY SAYING THAT IT HAD

BEEN THE USG CONCERN ALL ALONG THAT THE GREEK CYPRIOT PROPOSALS BE REALISTIC ENOUGH TO PREVENT THE OTHER SIDE FROM JUSTIFYING YET ANOTHER DELAY. DIMITRIOU ARGUED THAT THIS WAS THEIR OPENING POSITION AND OF COURSE IT WAS OPEN TO NEGOTIATION. HE EMPHASIZED THAT THE GREEK CYPRIOT PROPOSALS WERE SERIOUS AND HAD BEEN THE RESULT OF GREAT DEBATE IN THE COURSE OF THEIR PREPARATION.

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